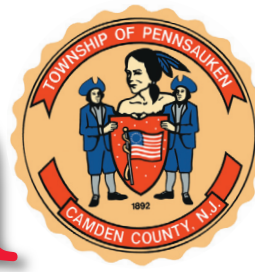


# All Around Pennsauken



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## Pennsauken Honors Best Home Teachers



Pennsauken Township recognized the winners of the "Best Mom, Dad, or Guardian: Home School Edition" contest, sponsored by the Pennsauken Youth Action Committee.

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

At the May 21 Township Committee meeting held via Zoom, two mothers and a grandmother were recognized as some of the "best teachers at home."

A twist on the Pennsauken Youth Action Committee's annual contest, the "Best Mom, Dad, or Guardian: Home School Edition" allowed children in Pennsauken to submit a letter saying why they believe their mom, dad, or guardian is the "best teacher at home."

"We thank our contest participants, all of whom wrote from the heart," said Elwood Martz, who helps organize the contest. "For the kids that didn't win this time around, we encourage you to try again next year."

"These letters are inspiring," added Mayor Tim Killion. "While working, caring for their families, and tackling so many other responsibilities, these parents

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## COVID-19 Restrictions Loosen In Pennsauken

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

Pennsauken Township has begun to slowly reopen in the midst of the coronavirus outbreak. While Governor Murphy's "Stay at Home" Executive Order remains in place, residents and businesses are seeing some restrictions loosen.

At the end of last month, the Township's tennis courts, as well as the Bow Wow Dog Park, were opened back up for use by the public, with social distancing measures in effect; passive recreation, such as walking and bike riding, are once again allowed in Pennsauken's public parks. Governor Murphy expanded the limit for outdoor gatherings from 10 individuals to 25, right before the Memorial Day weekend. Once completely shuttered due to the outbreak,



Mayor Tim Killion was on hand as Camden County's Public Health Education Team came to Pennsauken for residents who had questions about COVID-19. See page 24 for more.

non-essential retail businesses can now offer curbside pickup for phone and online

orders; and in-person sales have resumed at automobile and motorcycle dealerships. The golf course at the Pennsauken Country Club, which officially reopened on May 2, began taking tee times for foursomes on May 22. Several key milestones in the battle against the virus made these loosened restrictions possible: a continued reduction of hospitalizations due to COVID-19; a significant decrease in the use of respirators for patients battling the coronavirus; and an increase in diagnostic testing, among other important factors.

"While we're making progress and continuing to receive positive news, we have to remember that we are still experiencing loss," explains Pennsauken Mayor

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## Renovations Ongoing At Delaware Gardens Park

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

Delaware Gardens Park at 49th St. in Pennsauken is currently undergoing extensive improvements. The work being done constitutes an \$870,000 investment, made possible through a Green Acres Grant awarded to the Township in 2018.

"We're very excited to be able to make the improvements to the Delaware Gardens Park," said Pennsauken Mayor Tim Killion. "This is something that's great for the neighborhood and our entire Township community."

As you drive along River Rd., you'll see work being done on both sides of the park. The softball field is receiving a major upgrade, with new dugouts and new fencing being installed. Across the

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Delaware Gardens Park is benefitting from an \$870,000 investment, made possible through a Green Acres Grant. Extensive improvements are scheduled to be completed later in the summer.

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## PYACT Summer Theater Canceled

The Pennsauken Youth Action Committee Theater's performance of "Peter Pan Junior," has been canceled. Auditions for next year's production are tentatively scheduled for May 2021.

For more information, e-mail Elwood Martz at [emartz@twp.pennsauken.nj.us](mailto:emartz@twp.pennsauken.nj.us) or call (856) 665-1000 x151.

"Duke" Martz at [emartz@twp.pennsauken.nj.us](mailto:emartz@twp.pennsauken.nj.us) or call (856) 665-1000 x151.

## All Gave Some... Some Gave All



During Memorial Day weekend, members of Pennsauken Township Committee joined the Pennsauken Fire Department and local veterans to tape a "virtual" wreath laying ceremony at Liberty Park, using social distancing measures. To view the video, visit [PennsaukenTV.com](http://PennsaukenTV.com).

## PHS To Hold In-Person Graduation

There's some exciting news for the Class of 2020. With Governor Murphy's announcement on May 26, Pennsauken High School is making plans to hold an in-person graduation in the middle of July.

"In adherence with Governor Murphy's announcement, Pennsauken High School is planning in-person, outside graduation ceremonies," the District stated in a social media post. "These ceremonies will begin the week of July 13."

The tentative plan is to have five nights of mini-ceremonies with 70 graduates per

night. Each graduate will only be permitted to bring two guests. All guests must wear masks; graduates should bring a mask, but will not need to wear one during the ceremony. All attendees – including graduates – must maintain a distance of six feet from each other throughout the event. A "virtual graduation" video will still air on June 16.

For additional details, visit the Pennsauken High School page at [Pennsauken.net](http://Pennsauken.net) and select the "Class of 2020" in the "Class Info" tab.

## Pennsauken Township Cancels 2020 Summer Programs

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

Pennsauken Township's Parks and Recreation Department has announced that all summer programs tentatively scheduled for 2020 have been canceled.

"Unfortunately, there were just too many obstacles to overcome this year to safely and effectively hold our programs," explained Elwood Martz. "Aside from the serious concerns we have with the coronavirus, the Pennsauken Public School facilities we normally utilize are unavailable this year due to their ongoing construction projects. Speaking with the individuals and organizations that help to provide our programming, we felt it was best to shut things down and make plans to restart things for the summer of 2021."

### An Update On The Municipal Pool

The Parks and Recreation Department is still anticipating a delayed opening of the pool and is preparing as such. However, the Township is waiting for both guidance from Governor Murphy and the guidelines that would be required from the Department of Health. As soon as an update is available, it will be shared with residents.

## PEA PRIDE Hosting Virtual 5K Run/Walk



To help promote mental, physical, and emotional health within our community, Pennsauken Education Association PRIDE is hosting a virtual 5K run/walk.

During the weekend of June 13-14, any participant can run or walk 5K safely within their neighborhood. Help beat the COVID-19 Quarantine through exercise and safe social distancing. Participants are urged to grab their masks, stay six or more feet apart, and walk or run themselves into a better state of mind.

Participants are asked to post pictures with the hashtag #PEAPrideRuns to the Facebook event page <https://www.facebook.com/events/312441149739728>.

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## MAYOR'S

CORNER



By Tim Killion,  
Mayor of  
Pennsauken  
Township

Normally, this is an extremely exciting time for seniors at Pennsauken High School. In regular circumstances, you'd be wrapping up the school year, spending time with your friends, and counting down the days to graduation. But in our current situation, thanks to COVID-19, you're wrapping up the year at home instead of school; you're only seeing your friends on a screen; and while it's exciting that you are going to have an in person graduation in July, it's not quite what you were expecting. Make no mistake though; it is a time to celebrate. You've earned that

right. Nothing can take that away, not even a virus.

I can't believe it's been 22 years since I graduated from Pennsauken High School and gave a speech as Class President. I vividly remember that beautiful, but extremely humid June night in 1998. I loved my time at PHS, my teachers, and my classmates. Those four amazing years culminated into that one special moment. It's something I'll never forget. And while graduation will be different, it's also going to be special for you.

As you're preparing to don your cap and gown next month, I'd like to share some advice as you get ready to take the next part of your journey.

You have probably heard it plenty of times, but it's true: time flies by, faster than you realize. Enjoy this next stage of your life. Savor it. Look up from your

phone and be present in the moment you're in right now. See the family and friends who are rooting for you to succeed. Share your successes with them and appreciate what they've done to help you get where you are today.

Whether you're headed to college, into law enforcement, the military, a trade apprenticeship, joining the family business, or starting a job somewhere new, challenge yourself to learn, not just to do. Understand how and why things work. If you never stop learning, you'll always keep growing.

High school doesn't define you. You leave PHS with a completely clean slate. You have a choice each and every day on which path you want to take. And from now on, these decisions you make will positively or negatively affect your life. You are the author of the book of

your life. Write the pages of this next chapter wisely.

That being said, definitely be sure to have some fun along the way. True responsibility is right around the corner. Enjoy the freedom that you have at your fingertips, but never at the expense of others.

A world of opportunity is right in front of you. You need to be courageous enough to take the first steps of your journey and head towards your goals with hard work and dedication. There will be challenges. Don't back down from them. There will be risks. Take them. There will be mistakes. Learn from them. There will be joyful moments. Cherish them.

I'd like to close with a classic quote from Dr. Seuss that's been shared with countless graduating classes. It's timeless

in its value and the message that it shares. This is from his book, "Oh, the Places You'll Go!" You may just be getting this as a graduation present.

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose. You're on your own. And you know what you know. And YOU are the one who'll decide where to go..."

Congratulations to the Class of 2020. "Sauken" will always be a part of you. You make us Pennsauken Proud.

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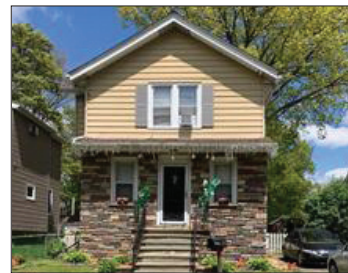
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**Pennsauken - New Listing**

This is a beautiful three bedroom home which has been lovingly maintained. There have been many updates over the years including a new Roof (2014) and a new hot water heater (2016). Move right in and enjoy this home. This property boasts a beautiful deck on the back with portico for lounging and enjoying your morning coffee.



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## WAGSWORLD Can't Teach An Old Dog A New Phone

By Bob Wagner,  
AAP Columnist

I have been subject to the strange new world of electronic social medium, as have all of you reading this. The kids seem to have accepted it as if nothing is really different and push buttons and view screens of friends, teachers, and world news easily. I struggle.

My phone, a forced purchase when the bride was upgrading, is not my friend. It has more features than I can possibly

grasp. It dings and whistles for the strangest reasons. And everyone wants to type messages to me. Now, as an occasional writer, I should be used to the written word. But I need to put on my glasses to see the tiny words. My big sausage fingers constantly hit the wrong letters. When I get cute, and deliberately spell something wrong, the machine changes the words. I may be stupid, and have been at times; but I hate looking stupid to folks reading my answers. I also know I may be able to override spell check, but

lack the knowledge of how to do so.

The evil phone has a talking girl inside, but she only pops up to ask me a question every so often. It has something to do, I have been told by my grandchildren, with how hard I push buttons.

The phone is somehow tied to my iPad, which lives in the dining room. It was once tied to my old computer, which lives upstairs in the back bedroom. But because the computer is old, like me; it no longer gives or gets messages. It just sits on a stand, glowing and occasionally blinking, until I play solitaire, or my word game. Then it freezes, or gets a fever, or just shuts down.

The camera is a nice touch, when I remember how to use it. The other night my sister buzzed in with a face suddenly appearing, asking me about someone who lived in the old neighborhood. Then she commented on how fuzzy my beard had become, and asked when the bride had changed the curtains. If she can see me, what about others? I now never take

the phone with me when I visit the bathroom.

I prefer talking to typing. I like the ability to communicate without video. I resent the fact that my phone has taken over for my old wristwatch. Hell, I resent almost everything now.

I am taking out the '63 VW from moth balls, getting her carb cleaned, and buzzing around this summer like the old days. I believe I've said this every year for some time now. It usually goes away when I realize the "old days" lacked air conditioning. But I am willing to stand the heat as a gesture against modernization.

My new friend, Merchant Lou, has fixed the horn, transmission, and windshield wipers. I look forward to buzzing about town, peering out roll up windows, looking for new places to carve faces. And listening, of course, to the oldies. Stay safe, well, and enjoy those masks. Apparently, the Lone Ranger was years ahead of his time; Zorro, too.

Happy summer!

## Summer Help Needed For Grass Cutting



**Pennsauken Township is looking for summer help for grass cutting.**

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June's public meetings are being held remotely via Zoom. Details on how the public can participate can be found on [twp.pennsauken.nj.us](http://twp.pennsauken.nj.us).

Township Committee  
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## EDITOR'S DESK Getting A Chance To Choose What Your "Normal" Will Be

EDITOR'S  
DESK



By Frank Sinatra,  
AAP Editor

Like many folks, I've been on social media a lot the last few weeks. I've always been a Facebook junkie, occasionally flirting with Snapchat and Instagram; but with the pandemic, I've been best buds with Mark Z.'s baby.

It's been good escapism, with enough Facebook Live videos to connect with people while staying socially distant. I still wish folks would be more "social." Looking at some of the stuff they type, I wonder if they really would say those things to a person if they were face-to-face. Sadly, the more cooped up we get, the less restraint we have with the keyboard.

Regardless of the online vitriol, there are some positive messages out there. One in particular grabbed my attention. My friend Audrey posted a meme that had a quote from Dave Hollis, a career coach and self-help guru. Here's what it said:

"In the rush to return to normal, use this time to consider which parts of normal are worth rushing back to."

It's a powerful message. There are a lot of things that went to the wayside when we were all asked to stay at home. It turns out, some of those very things aren't as important as first thought.

Adult responsibilities will always be there. One thing that won't: being able to ride bikes with your kids in some of the back woods you grew up playing in.

It will be amazing to get back out to a

restaurant for dinner, but it won't be as awesome as making homemade pizza and watching your wife school you on rolling out the dough.

YouTube, Disney+, Netflix, etc., all have great things to watch. It doesn't compare to family game night, even if that runs way later than you want it to.

With this outbreak, we have all

learned to do more with less and be creative with what we have. We've found perseverance and strength we didn't know we had. A lot of things have changed since March. Much more will change in the weeks to come. Maybe a new perspective will be one of them. And that might just be a really good thing.

In a situation that's unheard of, let's

take the time to make one-of-a-kind moments with the people that we love; ones that we'll remember over the despair. And as our community and our state continue to open up, let's come together to create a "normal" that is more respectful, more genuine, and more appreciative of what's truly important.

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## A Warning About COVID-19 Contact Tracing Text Message Scam

The Federal Trade Commission has issued a warning regarding a text messaging scam involving supposed COVID-19 contact tracing, and Camden County residents are urged to exercise caution and

not to click any links sent to them in a text message about contact tracing.

Scammers posing as government contact tracers have sent text messages to potential victims asking them to click a

link sent in the text. Clicking on the link downloads software onto a victim's phone that allows scammers access to personal and/or financial information.

Contract tracing – in which people who have been in contact with someone carrying the virus are warned and advised to quarantine – is an import tool in the effort by county and state health departments to assess and slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus. In legitimate circumstances, a person will get a text mes-

sage from a state or county health department stating that a call will be coming from a specific number. The contact tracer will not ask for money or any personal information such as a Social Security or credit card number.

"In the midst of a public health crisis, it is unfortunate that we have to warn residents about something like this," said Freeholder Director Louis Cappelli Jr. "But because real contact tracing is so important to efforts to reduce the spread



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of this deadly virus, we want Camden County residents to be aware of how contact tracing really works and to not fall victim to scammers."

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## Lions Club Makes Changes To Upcoming Events

Due to the coronavirus situation, the Pennsauken Lions Club has changed all of its fundraising and community events to the fall of 2020.

### Pancake Breakfast Moved To Fall

Previously scheduled for this month, the Lions' pancake breakfast will be rescheduled for a timeframe of October or November. For more information, call (856) 665-1722 or e-mail pennsaukenlionsclub1@gmail.com.

### Cigar Night Held On October 19

The Pennsauken Lions Club will tentatively be hosting its traditional Cigar Night fundraiser on Monday, Oct. 19, at the Pennsauken Country Club, 3800 Haddonfield Rd., from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. Tickets are \$65 per person and includes:

two premium cigars; seafood raw bar; filet, chicken, or salmon entrée; as well as salad and dessert. Tickets are available from any Lions Club member, at Macaro's Catering & Deli on Westfield Ave., or at the door. However, advance registration is encouraged. For more information or to pre-register, e-mail pennsaukenlionsclub1@gmail.com or call (609) 468-8921 or (856) 665-1722. All proceeds benefit Lions' vision screenings, school scholarships, Pennsauken residents in need, and much more.

### Vision Screenings At Local Schools

The Pennsauken Lions Club will conduct its annual vision screenings in the Pennsauken and Merchantville schools for grades 1-4 during the month of October. In 2019, the Lions screened over 1,000 school children; 173 of these chil-

dren were forwarded to their medical eye provider for further testing.

Catching the children's eye issues early helps keep them from having difficulties in school due to their inability to see their lesson plans or see the board clearly.

### Join The Lions

Individuals or organizations interested in knowing more how the Lions Club benefits our community can e-mail pennsaukenlionsclub1@gmail.com or call (609) 468-8921 or (856) 665-1722. When meetings are once again allowed, the Lions Club will meet on the first and third Mondays of the month at Macaro's Catering and Deli at 6225 Westfield Ave., Pennsauken. Appetizers and cocktails begin at 6:00 p.m.; dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.; and fellowship and the meeting follows.

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## STOP! This Is The Most Important Article In This Issue

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

Okay. So this headline might not be completely accurate. I did it to get your attention. Which I hope worked.

I'd like to talk to you about the 2020 Census.

WAIT! Don't turn the page. I realize we've been writing about the Census for the last few issues. And at this point, you'd probably rather read about how you can apply for marriage licenses and be wed in Pennsauken via a video conference on page 8. But if you haven't participated yet, give me a second. If you already have, you're awesome. Go read about those video weddings.

Still with me? Thanks for that. I'll be brief.

I get it that some folks don't want to share their information; that somehow, you're worried that your data will get into the wrong hands and something bad will happen. That's not how it works. The Census doesn't ask prying questions about sensitive things. You don't have to give out anything like your bank account info or social security number. The FBI, CIA, IRS, ICE; they don't get access to your info. Heck, people post more personal things on social media than what the Census Bureau is asking for. Everything's encrypted. No one will be able to read your name, address, or other identifying information until 2092. Your great-grandkid can learn about you on Ancestry.com 72 years from now. But for the next decade,

your data helps determine some important stuff, like how much federal funding New Jersey gets for things like Medicaid, Head Start, block grants for community mental health services, and SNAP. Governor Murphy has stated on several occasions that because the state was underrepresented in the last Census, federal money that could have been used to fight the coronavirus was left on the table. That's not good. But you can help fix that for the future by participating in this year's Census.

Even if you don't have the postcard that was mailed to your house or apartment with your Census ID, you can still submit your responses for the 2020 Census online or over the phone in about 10 minutes. Seriously. There are just a hand-

ful of questions for you and the people you live with. And when you self-respond – that's the fancy name they give it – you're taken off the list of residences for Census Takers to visit beginning in August. Let's be real. After all the craziness that's been going on, do you REALLY want someone coming to your house? That's a hard "No" for me.

The Census is not some scary, complex process that shares your personal information all over the place. It's safe. It's easy. It's important. Yes, that is the tagline. Doesn't make it any less true.

So visit 2020Census.gov and participate. If you don't, I'll keep writing articles about how important it is until you do. And afterwards, you can read about those video conference weddings.



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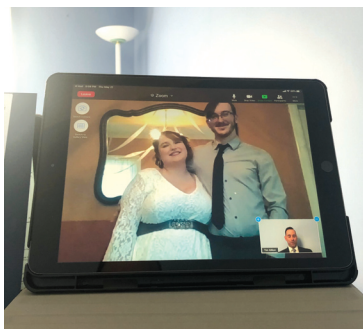
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## Marriage Licenses, Weddings Via Video Conference

On May 1, New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy signed Executive Order #135, which allows couples to apply for marriage licenses and be wed via a video conference.

"Our current public health emergency requires us to adjust our processes to protect public health and safety," said Governor Murphy. "Even in uncertain times, we must allow important milestones, like marriages, to move forward in a safe, efficient manner."

Couples need to contact Pennsauken Township's Registrar at (856) 665-1000 x124 or e-mail [pforman@twp.pennsauken.nj.us](mailto:pforman@twp.pennsauken.nj.us) to set up a conference time, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Once the video conference is set up and access codes given, the couple will need to print the marriage application; both parties and one witness who is 18 years or older must be present during the video conference. At that time, the government-issued valid ID will be viewed



**Congratulations to Matthew and Amanda Gamon, who were married in Pennsauken's first video conference wedding!**

via the conference and scanned to the Registrar's e-mail, along with the completed application. The Registrar will read the oath and witness signatures. Couples will then mail the payment (\$28 check or money order) and application in to the Registrar's attention at 5605 N. Crescent Blvd., Pennsauken, NJ 08110;

they can also be placed in the dropbox located by the main entrance of the municipal building.

If the marriage is taking place within 90 days and is being performed by someone other than the Mayor, couples can receive their license at the time payment is made.

If couples are looking to be married by Mayor Tim Killion, they can let the Registrar know at the time they call or e-mail for their application appointment. The date and time will be verified with the mayor for his availability. That fee is \$125 and is due three days prior to the wedding. At this time, couples may have up to seven additional people at the service, all of whom must wear a mask while social distancing is in effect.

This process will remain in effect through the duration of the coronavirus pandemic.

For more information, or to view a FAQ on the marriage executive order, visit [www.twp.pennsauken.nj.us/content/weddings](http://www.twp.pennsauken.nj.us/content/weddings).

## Honoring Fallen Police Officers



On National Peace Officers Memorial Day, officers from the Pennsauken Police Department laid five flowers at the Camden County Police Memorial at Cooper River Park. Each flower honored the five fallen officers from the Pennsauken and Merchantville Police Departments: John Zinger, William Brey, George Bowman and Richard Dawson from Pennsauken; and William Bailey from Merchantville.



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## Niche Service In Pennsauken Navigates COVID-19 Business Environment

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

We've all heard that cleaning up after our dogs is essential. But today, that takes on quite a different meaning.

When the coronavirus outbreak caused Governor Murphy to enact the "Stay at Home" Executive Order, businesses like Pennsauken's All Dogs Poop reached out to county and state officials to get a clearer answer in regards to how their service is categorized.

"I called Congressman Norcross' office, as well as the Department of Health and Human Services, explaining the whole situation," said Le Ann Frost, the Pennsauken resident who co-owns All Dogs Poop with her wife, Julie Woodward. "We're such a niche business. Our



Le Ann Frost and Julie Woodward, owners of Pennsauken's All Dogs Poop.

employees work alone and there is no risk of social spreading of the virus. We consider ourselves to be essential be-

cause what we do helps to stop the spread of disease that can be carried by dogs that affect humans. Our service also helps limit the amount of dog waste that travels through rainwater runoff into our sewers and into our waterways."

Because of their due diligence, All Dogs Poop has been able to help their customers since Executive Order #107 took effect, which in turn has kept their employees working when they needed it most.

"We had an employee who was out for four weeks because of the virus. We were able to keep paying her," explained Frost. "We were also able to give extra work to another one of our employees, a single parent who was laid off from another position; it's helping her make ends meet."

"Living our values is why we own our

own business. Julie and I value our employees. They are our most important asset. As such, we must take protecting them as a major responsibility. We can't service our hundreds of weekly clients without them. They are the faces of All Dogs Poop."

Frost and Woodward count themselves lucky to be able to stay in business, just by cleaning up after dogs doing theirs.

"Business has been good and we're going to get back to some sense of normalcy soon, having survived the worst of it. We could have taken advantage of a PPP loan, but we didn't feel comfortable applying for something that another business desperately needs," said Frost. "Who knew that deciding to clean dog poop 12 years ago would work out?"

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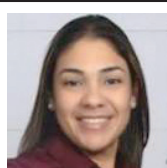
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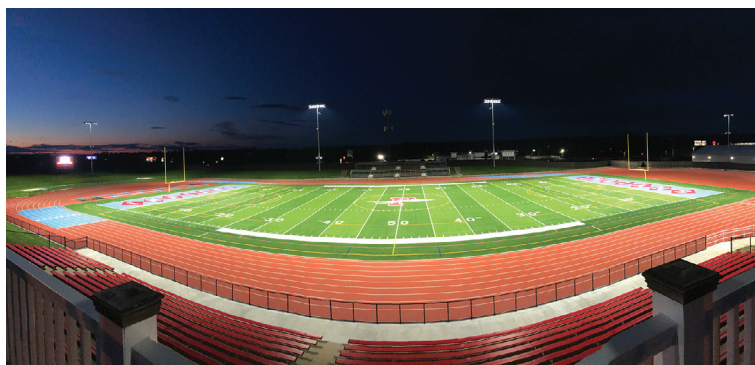
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## Longtime Math Teacher Maureen Farrell Retires

George B. Fine School is sadly but warmly saying “congratulations on your retirement” to longtime math instructor, Maureen Farrell. Ms. Farrell started at Pennsauken High School, teaching math skills in September of 2000. Little did she know 20 years ago that she would teach math at eight different Pennsauken schools over those two decades!

Ms. Farrell’s professional and welcoming teaching style made learning interesting and easy for hundreds, if not thousands of Pennsauken students over the years. Her patient, motivating methods have helped students advance their math knowledge from kindergarten to 12th grade! Ms. Farrell taught basic skills math at Pennsauken High School, as well as Central and Roosevelt Schools, from 2000-2005. From 2005 to the present, she broke out the chalk and rulers to teach at Franklin, Carson, Longfellow,

Burling, Roosevelt, and Fine Schools. The high demand for her basic math skill pedagogy was the reason for her constant movement within the district.

Ms. Farrell collaborated well with veteran and new teachers to create a consistent teaching style of math to Pennsauken students. She was also instrumental in various Parent Involvement Night planning and facilitation at different schools.

While her professionalism and teaching knowledge will be sorely missed within our district, we all wish Maureen Farrell the best as she transitions to her next chapter in life. When asked about her future plans, Ms. Farrell stated, “I really want to travel but the pandemic has put that on hold for now. When I am able to continue that goal, I will for sure!”

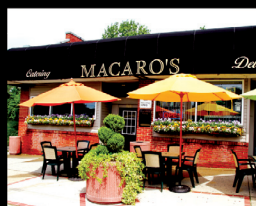


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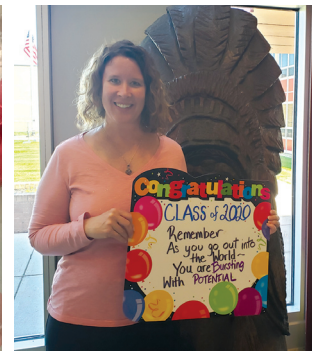
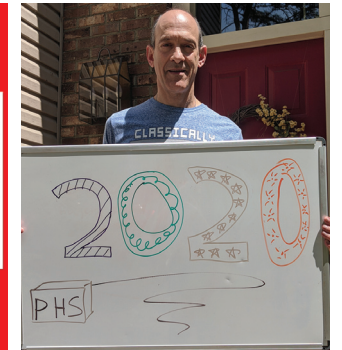
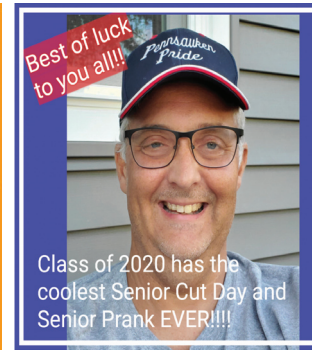
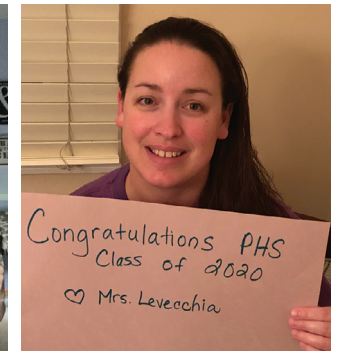
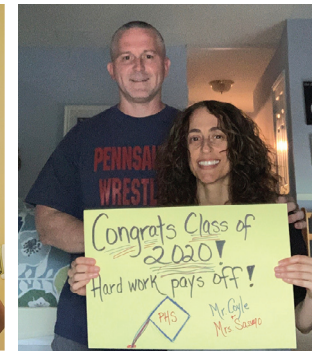
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## The Top Twenty Of The Class Of 2020

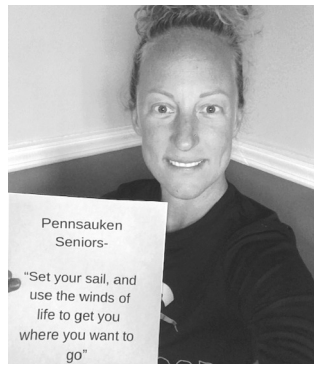
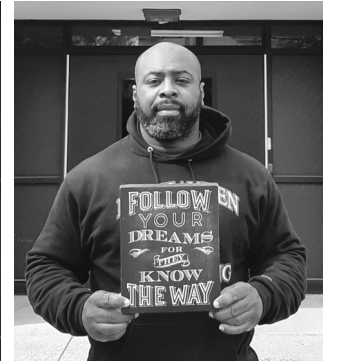
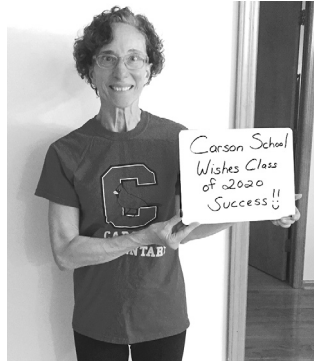
Pennsauken High School is proud to  
announce the top 20 students of the  
Class of 2020!

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19. Colleen Nguyen
18. Tien Hoang
17. Joan Cedano
16. Khoa Tran
15. Brittany Dang
14. Tracy Tran
13. Yasmin Santana
12. Nyla Nasir
11. Nancy Nguyen
10. Erica Le
9. Oscar Tan
8. Giovanni Martinez
7. Eustacia Pyne-Bailey
6. Kiara Haywood-Rivera
5. Angela Nguyen
4. Brandon Khop
3. Nhat Le
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1. Rebecca Stallard



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## Preparing Learning Packets For Students



Last month, Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. Sewell, Mrs. Grant and the school's IT staff were preparing packets for Delair students, who they love and miss so much! Stay safe and enjoy this time with your families!

## Delair Teachers Still Sharing Stories

Delair students still get to enjoy having their teachers read to them! First grade teacher Mrs. Avery gets ready to read "If You Give A Pig A Pancake" to her class; and kindergarten teacher Mrs. Anderson, reads "The Empty" to her students to keep their little minds thinking!



## PENNSAUKEN SCHOOL NEWS

For further information about the articles or events published in the Pennsauken School News section of "All Around Pennsauken" please contact:

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## Wingstop Restaurant Coming To Pennsauken

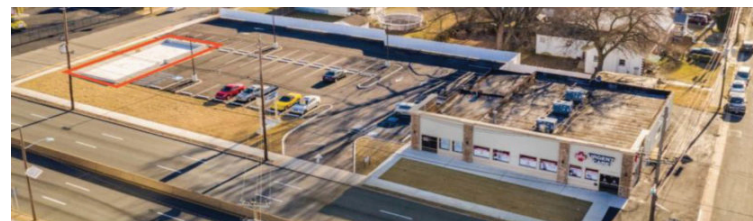
Vantage Real Estate Services recently announced a long-term lease that will bring a Wingstop Restaurant to Pennsauken.

Representing the landlord, Urgent

Care RE, LLC, the owner and manager of AFC Urgent Care at 6630 South Crescent Blvd., Vantage RES worked with both parties to have the quick-stop restaurant located at a build-to-suit pad

on the property.

Wingstop is a chain of nostalgic, aviation-themed restaurants specializing in chicken wings. Locations are decorated following a 1930s and 1940s "pre-jet"



A Wingstop Restaurant is going to be built on the pad next to the AFC Urgent Care along Rt. 130 in Pennsauken. Photo credit: Vantage Real Estate Services.

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## Wholesaler Helps Those In Need

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

A Pennsauken-based food and beverage wholesale company is looking to help residents in need during the COVID-19 outbreak.

Telman, located on Commerce Highway, is a full-service wholesale distribution company that delivers goods to convenience stores, supermarkets, and retailers, among others. Their product catalog includes a lot of perishables, such as fresh food and snacks; as well as beverages and paper goods, all of which can benefit those who are having difficulties

making ends meet.

"I know a lot of people within our community are going through hard times right now. I've been there," says owner Max Levin. "If there is anyone not working or not getting a paycheck, and running out of food, it would be our pleasure to help them out."

Those in need of assistance are asked to reach out by completing the online contact form located at Telman.com. All requests will go directly to the owner and will be kept 100 percent confidential.

## Miguelina's Bakery Opens In Pennsauken

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

There hasn't been a bakery in Pennsauken for quite some time, with residents clamoring to get one back in town. The wait is over.

Miguelina's Bakery, located at 4928 Westfield Ave., opened its doors to the public last month. Originally further down the road in Camden, owner Miguelina Charistidis made the decision to move to Pennsauken.

"I didn't want to move too far from the old bakery location and I liked the neighborhood," explained Charistidis. "It's a great place. Business has been really good so far."

Miguelina immigrated to the United States from the Dominican Republic 20 years ago for the opportunity to make a better life for herself and her growing family. She got into baking to help pay bills while she was validating her degree in marketing from her home country at Rowan University.

"I went to a school in New York to learn baking," said Miguelina. "I did validate my degree, but I still wanted to keep making cakes. I love it and it supports my family. This is my baby. I've worked really hard to create what I have here."

Miguelina's specializes in cakes and pastries inspired by her Dominican roots and recipes from her grandmother. She's



**Miguelina Charistidis, owner of Miguelina's Bakery on Westfield Ave., specializes in cakes and pastries inspired by her Dominican roots.**

also incorporated influences from other Spanish cultures.

"I get requests from customers that have come from places like Puerto Rico, Costa Rica, Mexico, and Venezuela. I try to take a little from each and put everything together."

The bakery makes custom cakes, doughnuts, and cookies. They also handle special orders like wedding cakes.

"If you want a birthday cake or something for a special occasion, please come see us," said Charistidis.

Miguelina's Bakery is open 10:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday; and 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. You can find the bakery on both Facebook and Instagram. For more information, call (856) 338-0228.

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## Learning The History Behind Women's Right To Vote

This year on Aug. 26, will be the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which gave women the right to vote. Pennsauken's Centennial Celebration of the Women's Right to Vote Committee has been meeting to plan activities to commemorate this event.

This was not the first time some women in New Jersey had the right to vote. New Jersey's first constitution in 1776 gave voting rights to "all inhabitants of this colony, of full age, who are worth fifty pounds... and have resided within the county... for twelve months." In 1790, the legislature rewrote the law to say, "he or she," clarifying that both men and women had voting rights. But only single women could vote, because married women could not own property. Still, many unmarried women voted in New Jersey in the 1790s and the very early 1800s.

In 1807, the state legislature restricted suffrage (voting rights) to taxpaying, white, male citizens. This was done to give the Democratic-Republican Party an ad-



**Pennsauken is planning activities that celebrate the 100th anniversary of 19th Amendment, which granted women the right to vote. Photo credit: Library of Congress.**

vantage in the 1808 presidential election. Women often voted for the opposing Federalist Party, so taking away women's voting rights helped the Democratic-Republicans. This law also took voting rights

away from African Americans.

In the first half of the 1800s, women became politically active in the abolition and temperance movements, but it was not until 1848 that the first women's rights convention was held in Seneca Falls, NY. The idea for promoting women's rights started eight years before in London, where Lucretia Mott and Elizabeth Cady Stanton met at an anti-slavery convention where, because they were women, they were not allowed to be official delegates and had to stand behind a curtain to listen to the proceedings. A friendship was formed, and they returned home promising to promote women's rights.

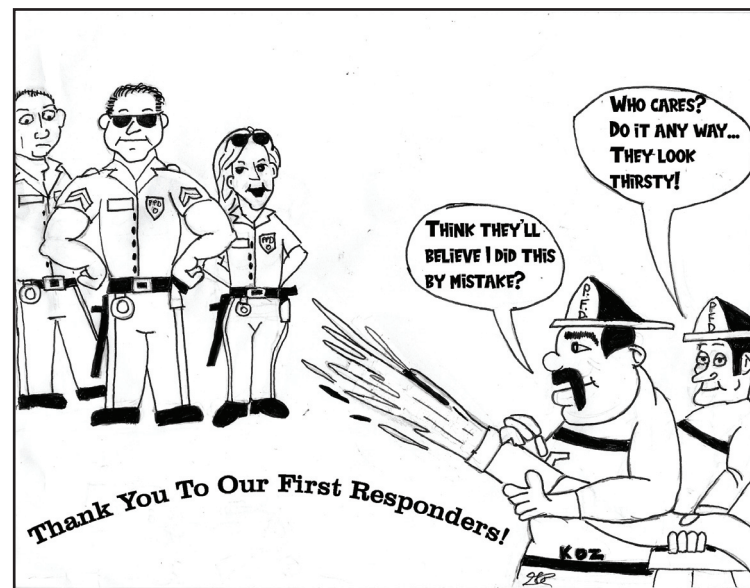
So why Seneca Falls, which was basically in the middle of nowhere? Elizabeth had moved there with her family to help with her husband's mental health. So in 1848, she met with her friend, Jane Hunt, who had some special guests: the Motts. At this point, Elizabeth was fed up with societal expectations placed on her as a woman and gave voice to her disillusionment. They all agreed that

there should be a public meeting to protest the plight of women and discuss possible solutions. They gave themselves

one whole week to organize it. It was to be a two-day convention; 300 people

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### Think Twice About What You're Flushing

Baby wipes, disinfectant wipes, paper towels, and even "flushable" wipes, can't go down the toilet

The Pennsauken Sewerage Authority is asking residents to think twice about what they are flushing down their toilets.

Paper towels, tissues, napkins, disinfectant wipes, and even supposedly "flushable" wipes (they are not flushable or biodegradable), cannot be flushed down the toilet. The system can accommodate toilet paper, which is made to disintegrate quickly in water, but wipes and other materials, which don't break down as readily, clog pipes. That means sewer backups into the homes of the users or of others, as clogs form down the line. These blockages require jetting of the sewer main to clear.

We are seeing an increase in volume, which is to be expected given the num-

ber of people staying in their homes as part of efforts to prevent the spread of coronavirus.

It's to everybody's benefit to use only toilet paper. Wipes might be able to flush, but that's when the unseen problems begin. While disposable wipes are a convenient and easy-to-use product that serve a variety of helpful purposes, they should be thrown in the trash following use. If manufacturers deem a product unsafe to go down the drain, it will be labeled on the packing. While there is debate over whether wipes labeled as "flushable" are truly safe for sewers, nonflushable products like baby wipes, wet wipes and disinfectant wipes are for your trash can.

In addition to stoppages in the main

line, which could cause a backup into homes and businesses, the potential for widespread service interruptions are possible if these nonflushable items reach a lift station and clog a pump. Not to mention the costs associated with removing a pump to clear the clog, which are borne by our rate payers.

The Pennsauken Sewerage Authority remains available 24 hours a day to assist residents during the State of Emergency. We have enacted a "No Public Contact" policy for the protection of our neighbors and our employees, but we will respond to all requests for assistance and will advise the homeowner of our findings by telephone. If you require assistance, call (856) 662-0686.

### Tree Roots Can Block Sewer Lines

With spring also comes renewed and vigorous growth of tree roots that can block sewer lines. We take every possible effort to keep our main lines free of roots through our maintenance program. The lateral line from your house to our main line, however, is the homeowner's responsibility.

If you have had a problem in the past, you are probably aware of the signs to look for (slow drainage or a periodic



back up). If you experience these problems, consider calling a plumber to check for tree roots. The plumber can remove the roots from your line. And, if you suspect the problem is in the main line, please call the Pennsauken Sewerage Authority at (856) 662-0686, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

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## GRAYMATTERS Plenty Of Reasons To Celebrate In June

By Judith Kristen,  
AAP Columnist

I have decided to go off the beaten path of the usual news in our everyday lives, and think of June 2020 in a different way.

You know, it's really a lovely month from the get-go. June is the first full month of our summer season; it's the number one choice of engaged couples to officially tie the knot; and it holds the longest day of the year, either on June 21 or 22, depending.

Fathers are also honored this June 21, on their special day. Yes, Dad! More ties! It is also the month of "The Rose," meaning the bush, not the Bette Midler movie. Also, let me squeeze in here that June is National Candy Month. So needless to say, but I'm sayin' it anyway, "Aunt Charlotte's, here I come!"

A special note to my fellow senior citizens out there that June 21 is also "Go Skateboarding Day," which of course, I believe should be followed by June 22's

"Get Your Arm X-Rayed Day." But what do I know?

I had a whole lot of fun looking up all the crazy things people call the "National Day of..." or "Official Day of..." Seriously, how do these days come about in the first place? How do some people find a way to get America to want to go along with things like "National Bathtub Racing Day," "Chicken Lady Day," or "Stay Home Because You're Well Day!" I think a lot of us are celebrating that one a lot these days.

Personally, I think all of these unique day creating masterminds deserve their own, "Congrats for Thinking Waaaaay Outside the Box Day!"

I'm taking the liberty to choose a few other days; and I'm not going to be picky about what day or month you decide to celebrate it, if that's even the right word for it.

But how about these? "Make Someone Laugh Day," "Don't Flip Off Someone who Cuts in Front of You Day," "Be

Grateful Days," and yes, that was meant to be pluralized; "Call an Old Friend and Reconnect Day; and "Tell Those You Love That You Love Them, and Why Day!"

I was going to create a sixth, but National Candy Month was already taken. But, you get the drift.

So, dear friends of Pennsauken, no matter what this June brings your way, remember that you are meant to have fun; and especially, you are meant to be loved. Yes, even on your worst of days, someone will still love you. Hold that thought, and return the goodness.

"When we love, we always strive to become better than we are. When we strive to become better than we are, everything around us becomes better too."

It's ALWAYS the right day and the right month for that!

Peace and love to you, as always.

~Juday

## SENIORCORNER

### Seniors In Need Can Receive Meals At Home During The Coronavirus Outbreak

By Sonny DiSabato,  
Senior Citizen Coordinator

Hello fellow seniors.

Since the Camden County Division of Senior and Disabled Services expanded its meal delivery program in response to the coronavirus outbreak in March, more than 120,000 meals have been delivered to Camden County seniors.

It's a wonderful thing that the County is doing. Seniors who are in need should definitely take advantage of this service.

The Division of Senior and Disabled Services is continuing to deliver meals to new program participants. If you or a senior you know needs meal assistance, please call (856) 374-MEAL or (856) 858-3220 to make arrangements.

Wishing you all health and happiness, particularly in the times we live in. Please say a prayer so that we continue to flatten the curve and this virus outbreak ends.

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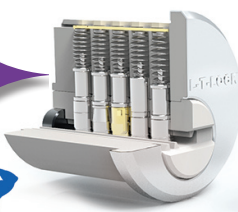
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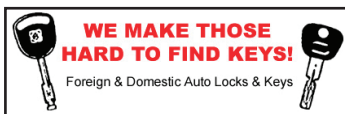
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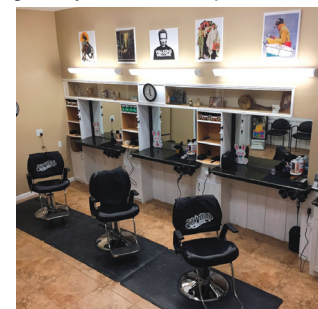
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# MPWC WATERLINES

## The Importance Of National Water Week – Especially Now



By Sean Fitzgerald,  
MPWC Treatment Technician

As the COVID-19 outbreak continues to impact the lives of not only our customers, but the world at large, the MPWC is proud to continue providing safe, quality drinking water. The water industry typically celebrates “Water Week” during the first week of May, focusing on the critical role that safe drinking water plays in our daily lives. For the

MPWC, and the entire water industry, that focus has been dominated by discussion of the health and well-being of both those providing drinking water, but also those we serve. It has given the entire industry an even greater appreciation of the role clean and potable water plays on the day-to-day lives of every person on the planet.

At a time when hand washing hygiene is considered one of the best

defenses against the spread of the COVID-19 virus, it is also equally as important to consider the benefits of proper hydration on our immune systems. The University of California, Irvine, a public research university, states: “Our immune system is highly dependent on the nutrients in our blood stream, and our blood stream is made mostly of water! If we don't have enough water, dehydration can contribute to muscle tension, headaches, low serotonin production, and digestive issues.”

So while hand-washing for 20 seconds continues to be a must, it's important to remember to stay hydrated. There's no set amount; The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine has determined that an adequate daily fluid intake is:

- About 15.5 cups (3.7 liters) of fluids for men
- About 11.5 cups (2.7 liters) of fluids a day for women

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## FOODADVENTURES Making Crispy, Crunchy Potato Chips



You can make your own potato chips at home, experimenting with different types of seasonings

By Rachael Shugars, AAP Columnist

Our second food adventure from the home front finds me in the kitchen, once again experimenting with a new recipe: potato chips! I'm a big fan of the kettle cooked chips and the darker russets. This month's recipe, however, produces a thinner crisp. These are a favorite of my son and actually slightly healthier than your average Lay's.

I used a regular baking potato for my chips. It's totally okay to use whatever

kind of potato you like, but just remember that the cooking time and heating temperatures might vary a little bit.

To start, I peeled my potatoes completely. After that, you can use a mandolin to slice them; or if you don't have that, a really good sharp knife will work. You can also check the side of your cheese grater; sometimes there is a wide slicer there. You need to slice the potato into very thin slices. After you do this, you will want to soak them in a large bowl filled with ice water. I actually soak them, then dump the water out and start fresh with another ice water bath. This removes some of the starchiness and will allow your potato chip to get nice and crispy.

The next part is a little more complicated. You will need to take the potato slices out and pat them dry to make sure that when you fry them there isn't a mini explosion in your kitchen. This will be the most tasking job in the entire recipe. It takes a lot of time, but it's worth it. While you are drying your chips, you'll want to

find your best deep pan for frying and fill it with about an inch of oil. It's totally fine to use whatever oil you prefer; I used regular veggie oil for mine. You should also get a bowl ready on the side with some paper towels in it, so that you can place your freshly fried chips into that container. You can use anything from a slotted spoon to a fork, just be very careful when you're frying. At this point, you can begin to put the slices into the hot oil.

You'll want to fry each slice for about two minutes on each side, depending on thickness. Just keep an eye on the chips, because they can get burnt very easily. I learned this the hard way. As you remove batches from the fryer and place them in the bowl with the paper towels, you want to lightly season them with salt or any other kinds of herbs and spices you're interested in. I used sea salt and paprika. This is a good opportunity to play around with flavor profiles. If you have some Old Bay, make yourself some Old Bay chips. If you have a really good

barbecue seasoning, make yourself some barbecue chips. The possibilities are endless; this is why they are called food adventures!

If you're feeling really adventurous, you can try frying different types of root vegetables to see what flavor profile you can get. Beets, as well as carrots, will be

sweeter. Let me know what you try and what flavors you go for by joining my page on Facebook, "All Around Pennsauken Food Adventures." You can also post pictures of your tasty treats or view a few of mine. Stay safe, stay home and enjoy your food adventures.

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## Pennsauken PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

By Joe Scavuzzo, Director,  
Department of Public Works

Like many of you, I long for the day when the pandemic is over and a distant memory. Loss of life, disruption of ordinary occasions, and re-designing how humans can work while social distancing are all aspects that are starting to wear on the author of this article. Following Governor Murphy's announcement in early May

## Keeping Grass Cut, Pennsauken Clean During COVID-19

for "30 more days" of this new "normal," I have flashbacks to my high school days of soccer conditioning sessions, being told to run another mile at the end of practice. It's the hope that keeps us going; the hope that summer barbeques and block parties and family reunions will one day return. Easter was particularly interesting this year: a Zoom meeting with far too many close-ups of relatives!

Operations of your municipality continue, albeit in a modified version of itself.

Public Works has received a few calls that share a common question: the need for grass cutting when the parks were "closed." At this point in time, only the playgrounds and athletic-related spots are "closed," while walking paths and grass areas are open for a change of scenery. When we sat down in March to analyze how to keep a team of over 30 employees away from itself, while maintaining productivity, grass cutting was an easy one. Tall grasses harbor rodents, snakes, and trip

hazards like bottles, debris, and sticks, in addition to a non-pleasing cosmetic appeal. On the social distancing side, we have assigned specific truck/trailer combinations to have a mower and other equipment needed for cutting grass. Each employee stays in his own assigned truck. Additionally, we have staggered the start times of all employees, so that they report directly to their trucks, aside from any briefings that may be needed.

One operation that has not been affected is street sweeping. By nature, these guys are solo artists and have little human contact on a normal day. With more residents being home during the day, accessing each street is a bit tougher with on-street parking, but there is plenty of curb to keep them busy.

With the exception of two weeks, garbage collection has been uninterrupted. There was a time in late April where both trash and yard debris was extremely heavy. We anticipated a higher volume when most households would now eat all three meals at home, as opposed to at school, work, restaurants, and even bars. Takeout is no longer a once-in-a-while method. All those containers and food waste now make its way to Pennsauken curbs each week for trash collection. Further, the annual "spring cleaning" rituals that occur each year were not bound by time restraints in a normally busy household.

This time has afforded us the ability to slow down a bit. For some, this means taking a more involved role in their children's education. Mom would've pulled her hair out if we were home for the last three plus months of school! The quieter office has allowed us to focus on some projects that we'd like to undertake when the dust settles. Additionally, our office function has gone mobile, with many residents receiving e-mail responses outside of regular business hours. With the need to reduce "touching things," we have further cut-down on the amount of paper used. Distributing recycling buckets has become easier for Pennsauken residents also. Gone are the days where a special trip to our office is needed to simply collect a recycling can for your home. Our sanitation inspector, who drives around Pennsauken as part of his daily duties, now acts like Amazon with same-day delivery! We hope to build upon this simple change to increase convenience for residents.

There is no silver-lining to COVID-19, only opportunities to re-evaluate how we do things for the greater good of all. This is our mission, continuing to serve Pennsauken residents through whatever life throws at us.

If you have any questions, please reach out using our temporary number we're using during the COVID-19 outbreak, (856) 433-0651, or e-mail [publicworks@twp.pennsauken.nj.us](mailto:publicworks@twp.pennsauken.nj.us). Stay safe.

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### TALKIN' TRASH

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## Renovations Ongoing At Delaware Gardens Park continued from page 1



The softball field at Delaware Gardens Park is receiving an upgrade, with new dugouts and fencing.

street, construction crews are creating a multi-use path throughout the park. Decorative lighting, fitness equipment, and park benches will be placed strategically along the path. In addition, the new path will extend from Delaware Gardens Park along Bannard Ave., connecting to Tippin's Pond, where two decks are being reconstructed.

"The renovations are going to significantly upgrade the park and provide a nice view of the river. Plus the multi-use path connecting to Tippin's Pond is a great addition for those residents who enjoy getting out in nature," says Elwood Martz, head of the town's Parks and Recreation Department. "We look forward to showing our residents the finished product."

Based on the current progress of the project, the anticipated completion of renovations is slated for later this summer, weather permitting.

"The work being done at Delaware Gardens Park is just the start of a larger commitment that Township Committee has towards creating open spaces where residents can go and enjoy with family

and friends," says Marco DiBattista, deputy mayor. "We're already looking at the next section of town where we're going to enhance and improve one of our parks. Families should be able to find top-notch places to recreate right in their neighborhoods. It's an ongoing process, but Township Committee is working to make that happen."

## Pennsauken Honors Best Home Teachers continued from page 1

and grandparents are also taking on a new role in the middle of all this. This contest shows just how resilient our residents are."

Mehar Afzal's dream was to have her mom, a substitute teacher, in her classroom. With the lockdown, Mehar got to see her mother in a brand new light.

"She is our class teacher, gym teacher, music teacher, art teacher, and also a lunch lady," wrote Afzal. "She works really hard. She stays up late at night, setting up our school work. She never

shows her stress. I have more respect for her now."

Angela Candelaria-Torres wrote about her grandmother, who is helping with class work while also battling cancer.

"She gets up to help me with my assignments. We take breaks in between so she can rest," wrote Angela. "She Googles math problems when I get stuck."

Adam Sinatra wrote about his mom, who he feels is "the best."

"She is the key to my school heart, but sometimes it gets tough and I can't al-

ways read, so my mom helps me," wrote Adam. "My mom is my switch for my light bulb inside. She is the best home school teacher ever!"

The Pennsauken Youth Action Committee thanks all those students who participated in this year's contest, the teachers and family members who encouraged them to write about their parents and relatives, as well as those caring and dedicated men and women throughout Pennsauken who inspire the children in this community.

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For more information, registered Re-

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## American Red Cross Faces Blood Shortage Due To COVID-19



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Healthy individuals are needed to schedule an appointment now to give

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One of the best ways to ensure another health crisis on top of the coronavirus is to give now. But please postpone donations for 28 days following travel to China and its special admin-

istrative regions, Hong Kong and Macau, as well as Iran, Italy and South Korea, or if you've been diagnosed with or have had contact with anyone with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19.

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## Primary Election Held On July 7

By Pam Forman, Township Clerk

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All registered voters who are affiliated with a political party will automatically receive a vote-by-mail ballot, including a postage paid return envelope.

If they wish to submit their ballot by mail, it must be returned by July 7. Registered, unaffiliated (independent) voters will receive a vote-by-mail application with a postage paid return envelope. These voters will need to fill out and return the application to the County Clerk by June 30 in order to receive a vote-by-mail ballot.

Should residents have any questions, please feel free to contact the Clerk's Office at (856) 665-1000 x122 or x124.

## COVID-19 Educational Series Comes To Pennsauken



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## GOING GREEN A Renaissance Of The Iconic Victory Garden

By Kathleen Harvey,  
AAP Columnist

As I head to the grocery store these days, prices of food have suddenly skyrocketed. Stock has become less reliable, as the supply chain is straining under the pressures caused by the pandemic.

My solution is to grow more of my own food. The advantages are having a reliable source of locally grown fruits and vegetables that can be grown organically, with no pesticides or other chemicals. This strategy reminds me of victory gardens from generations of long ago.

Victory gardens were planted both at private residences and on public land during World War I and World War II to reduce the pressure on the public food supply brought on by the war effort. According to the History Channel, in March of 1917, Charles Lathrop Pack organized the National War Garden Commission to encourage Americans to contribute to the war effort by planting, fertilizing, harvesting, and storing their own fruits and vegetables so that more food could be exported to our allies. Citizens were urged to utilize all idle land that was not already engaged in agricultural production — including school and company grounds, parks, backyards, or any available vacant lots. Promoted through propaganda posters advocating that civilians “Sow the Seeds of Victory” by planting their own vegetables, the war garden movement, as it was originally known, was spread by word of mouth through numerous women’s clubs, civic associations, and chambers of commerce, which actively encouraged participation in the campaign.

Although the government’s promotion of victory gardens ended with World War II, a renaissance movement has sprouted up in recent years in support of self-sufficiency and eating seasonally to improve health through local organic

farming and sustainable agriculture. Many of us have small plots of land which can be used to grow food; or local community gardens where neighborhood folks have gathered for many years to plant and harvest food crops.

As with everyone, space is limited. My first approach that has been implemented for the last several years is to tuck fruit and vegetable plants in among the flower beds where there is full sun. Which brings us to the next challenge: fruits and vegetables need sun to grow. It takes a lot of energy for a plant to produce big, ripe tomatoes, peppers, eggplants, and fruits like blackberries, blueberries, raspberries, and figs. Then there are space considerations for individual crops. Some plants, like corn, require a lot of space to grow, and produce a small yield for the space commitment. After trying to grow corn a few years ago, for me it’s impractical to attempt to grow it on a small, suburban lot; corn will continue to be purchased from the grocery store.

Some of the most popular produce that can be grown locally includes beans, beets, cabbage, carrots, eggplant, herbs, kale, kohlrabi, lettuce, peas, radishes, tomatoes, turnips, squash, and Swiss chard. Some of these plants really need space to grow properly; others can be grown in containers to further expand individual capacity. Some of the easiest vegetables to grow in containers are nightshades like tomatoes, potatoes, peppers, and eggplant, as well as fast-growing crops like peas and lettuce. Take a look at vegetables that can be grown even with just a patio, porch, or balcony with good sun exposure.

This year, my garden capacity is being expanded with containers. In the past, large plastic containers have been used to create dramatic displays of flowers for everyone to enjoy. This year, those containers are being repurposed for

vegetables. If those aren’t available, look around for nursery pots that may have held trees in past projects and are languishing in the garage or shed. If addi-

tional capacity is still needed, consider recycling large containers that have held other items like kitty litter tubs. Don’t reuse anything that may have contained

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### Congratulations To 2020 Poetry Contest Winners

By Arlene Miller, Friends of the Pennsauken Free Public Library

The Friends of the Pennsauken Library has some creative winners of their annual poetry contest to announce; and for the first time ever, we'll be holding a virtual awards night on Pennsauken TV. You can catch it at your leisure and see and hear all our winners reading their poems from the comfort of their own homes! You can find Pennsauken TV at Channel 19 on Comcast and Channel 21 on Fios.

Here are this year's winners! Emari Suza and "Forbidding the Monster to Grow," a poem about the coronavirus; Zeke Bibelheimer and "It's a Fun Day;" Minh Loc with "Little;" Matthew Urena's "Cement Jungle;" Gabrielle De-Jesus and "Your Best;" Amina Dyer's "Life;" Laianna Arce and "Dulce Maria Alavez;" Anthony Johnson, who wrote "Later;" and Heather Kristian's "Funerals are Usually Thursday." Schools represented included Burling High School,

Fine Elementary, Pennsauken Intermediate School, Phifer Middle School, and Pennsauken High School. There was also a home school entry. The winners' pictures will be posted on the Friends' Facebook page; and the poems will also be shared on our new website, Pennsauken-LibraryFriends.org.

Thank you to our team of intrepid judges, who moved easily from paper to digital mode in the blink of an eye to review entries in light of COVID-19: Susie Wagner, Linda Mariani, Marleen O'Donnell, Janice Taylor, and Maryann Snyder.

Here's one more thing that's a definite until things get back to normal: a commemorative leaf from Ira's Tree of Knowledge could give all of us the opportunity to honor someone special in our lives, especially those family and friends we've been kept apart from for so long. A special leaf with a special message they can see each time they enter the Library when it reopens could help mend too-long absences and let someone know how much you care. You can get further information on the Friends' website or the Friends page at Pennsauken Library.org. It makes a nice birthday, anniversary, or "just because" remembrance.

Let's hope that by next month, we'll have more familiar events to reinstate. Until then, stay safe and we'll keep you posted.



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## Learning The History Behind Women's Right To Vote *continued from page 18*

showed up, of which 240 were women. Even after all their work with other reform movements, none of the women felt qualified to chair the convention, so it fell to James Mott to serve as chair, though on the first day, only women could participate. The principal document presented for discussion was the "Declaration of Sentiments," which stated:

1. Women had never been allowed to vote
2. Laws for women were made by men
3. Uneducated and corrupt men enjoyed the rights denied to women
4. Lacking suffrage, women were oppressed by various laws
5. Married women lacked rights to own property or keep their own wages
6. Women were compelled to promise obedience to their husbands
7. Divorce laws favored men over women
8. Single women could own property but were forced to pay taxes, despite their lack of political rights.
9. Women faced wage inequity, certain professions were denied to women
10. Women could not obtain a college education
11. Men viewed women as subordinate

in church and banned them from performing any public function there

12. A higher standard of morality existed for women
13. Men claimed powers over women that belonged to God
14. Men have tried to convince women to remain dependent on men and a male dominated society

Of all the proposals, suffrage was the most controversial. Stanton made a plea, but it was Frederick Douglass who convinced the attendees that suffrage should be included. One hundred individuals signed the Declaration of Sentiments: 68 women and 32 men. Ironically, the first women's rights convention was led by a man and it took another man to convince them they should fight for the right to vote.

They had a long road ahead of them, but first they had to deal with the negative reaction to their proposals. It was so bad that some of the women asked that their name be taken of the document. To be continued...

Meetings for the Centennial Celebration of the Women's Right to Vote Committee are currently on hold due to the coronavirus outbreak. To be updated on the next meeting, or for more information, contact Jan at janwh@aol.com or (609) 410-4650.

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## COVID-19 Restrictions Loosen In Pennsauken continued from page 1

Tim Killion. "Since this outbreak began, Pennsauken has lost 10 residents to COVID-19 related causes. And since mid-March, there have been 569 cases of the coronavirus in our Township. I can only imagine how these numbers would be worse if we didn't have our social distancing measures in place.

"I urge residents to continue taking the preventative measures that are keeping our families safe. Stay at home if you can and wear masks when taking necessary trips; keep making good decisions when it comes to social distancing. The fact that Pennsauken has been so very diligent in these practices is why we have been able

to slow down the spread of this virus."

### Schools Buildings Closed For Remainder Of The Year

On May 4, Governor Murphy ordered that all New Jersey schools will remain closed for in-person instruction for the remainder of the school year. Due to this direction from the state, Pennsauken Public Schools are operating on the current remote learning process until the end of the school year. Elementary and middle school students received a fourth learning packet last month that will be due in September; and high school students received work for the remainder

of the year through their individual instructors via e-mail.

"We are scheduled to reopen in September of 2020 for the 2020-21 school year," wrote Dr. Ronnie Tarchichi, superintendent of the Pennsauken School District, in a letter penned to families. "We look forward to beginning the school year with some normalcy, however, we are also preparing for potential contingencies in our opening along with the need for remote learning if that should arise."

### Community Resources

Pennsauken Township puts out regular updates on the coronavirus outbreak throughout the week via its website, [twp.pennsauken.nj.us](http://twp.pennsauken.nj.us); Pennsauken Television, Channel 19 on Comcast and Channel 21 on Fios; and its social media channels: Facebook.com/Pennsauken-Twp and @pennsaukentwp for both Twitter and Instagram.

Residents with questions or concerns related to the coronavirus can call a

free, 24-hour public hotline at 2-1-1 or (800) 962-1253, where trained professionals are standing by to answer questions. New Jersey residents can now also text NJCOVID to 898-211 to receive text information and stay informed. To receive live text assistance, residents can text their zip code to 898-211. More information is also available on the state's coronavirus-dedicated website at <https://covid19.nj.gov/>.

## An Update On Municipal Court

The Pennsauken Municipal Court is closed to the public until further notice. There are currently no in-person court hearings. All eligible cases will either be heard by mail or individuals will have a virtual hearing. Please do not come to the Pennsauken Municipal Court for any in-person hearings.

Court staff has limited access to their voicemail. However, if you leave a message at (856) 663-1403, someone will return your call.

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Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.  
Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.  
Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.

In addition to these times, there are several special "Ask-A-Librarian Live" events this month.

A database tour will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 7:00 p.m. Find out what you can do and learn online with your library card!

On Thursday, June 18, at 10:00 a.m.,

## Got A Reference Question? Ask A Librarian!

we'll have a 2020 Census Q&A in English. Jueves, 18 de junio a las 11:00, preguntas y respuestas sobre el censo: en español.

Register for a slot at <https://sites.google.com/view/askalibrarianonline-live>.

Can't chat online? No problem. You can call the Library anytime at (856) 665-5959 and leave a message, dialing extension 4 for Reference or extension 5 for Youth Services. A member of the Library staff will return your phone call.

We are also available via email at [askalibrarian@pennsaukenlibrary.org](mailto:askalibrarian@pennsaukenlibrary.org). A member of the Library staff will respond to your request.

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- Recognize plant diseases in your vegetable garden
- Take action to prevent or manage insect and disease problems

The deadline to register for this online workshop is Thursday, June 11. RSVP through the Library's Facebook Event for this workshop, or by e-mailing Maira Diaz, adult services librarian, at [mdiaz@pennsaukenlibrary.org](mailto:mdiaz@pennsaukenlibrary.org).

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- Virtual Preschool Storytime – Tuesdays, June 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30; 11:00 a.m. For toddlers and early elementary students. Join Miss Susan and Miss Sabrina every Tuesday morning on Facebook and Instagram for an at-home Preschool Storytime! Little ones of all ages are invited to read and stretch along with us.
- Tiempo para un Cuento – Time for a Story – Wednesdays, June 3, 10, 17, & 24; 6:00 p.m. For families with young children. Enjoy bilingual children's stories with Librarian Maira Diaz on the Library's Facebook Page. Disfrute cuentos infantiles en español y inglés con bibliotecaria Maira Diaz en la página de Facebook de la biblioteca.
- Friends of the Library Meeting – Wednesday, June 10, 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. This meeting will be broadcast via Facebook Live and Zoom and is open to the public. Participants can RSVP using the Facebook Event on our page. We will share the meeting URL in the Facebook Event the day of the event.
- Family Read Aloud – Thursdays, June 4, 11, 18, & 25; 7:00 p.m. Families with upper-elementary aged children. Join us Thursday evenings for "Family Read

Aloud" with Youth Services Librarian Heather Kristian on Facebook. We invite families to come and hear stories together.

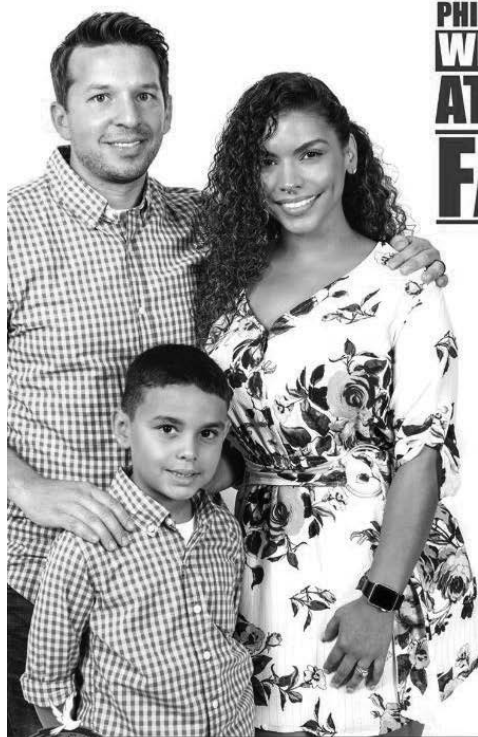
- DIY Friday – Friday, June 5; 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. For adults/all ages. Working on a cool project? Email us your DIY at [quarantine@pennsaukenlibrary.org](mailto:quarantine@pennsaukenlibrary.org). Please include your name and a photo of your project/projects along with a title and brief description. And if you want, tell us a little bit about yourself. Each Friday during the quarantine, we will showcase someone's finished project. Make sure to check our Facebook and Instagram page each week to see if you were selected!
- 80's and 90's TV Show Trivia – Friday, June 5; 8:00 p.m. Join us live as we test your knowledge on 80's and 90's TV shows! The winner will receive a Starbucks gift card. Registration is required to be a contestant. Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/PFPLTRIVIA>. To join in the fun as a viewer, we'll be streaming the competition on Face-

book Live and Zoom. We'll share the Zoom link via Constant Contact, Facebook and Instagram.

- Library Board Meeting – Monday, June 22, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. This meeting will be broadcast via Facebook Live and Zoom and is open to the public. Participants can RSVP using the Facebook Event on our page. We will share the meeting URL on PennsaukenLibrary.org and in the Facebook Event on June 22.
- T(w)een Quaran-zine – Now through June 30. For tweens and teens. Calling all creative Pennsauken tweens and teens! What have you been creating while in quarantine? Writing poetry? Painting? Crocheting? Experimentally baking? Show off whatever you've been working on in our digital newsletter! Email questions and/or submissions by June 30 to [hkristian@pennsaukenlibrary.org](mailto:hkristian@pennsaukenlibrary.org). Please include your name, school, and grade. One hour of community service will be awarded to each accepted entry.

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A lot of precautions are in place to help guests enjoy their rounds of golf safely. A fence has been set up to control traffic onto the course. Staff is on hand to help maintain social distancing and direct golfers. There are multiple

cleaning stations in place, as well as a sink for hand washing. Each golfer has use of their own cart, which also has its own box of disinfectant wipes. Carts are also thoroughly disinfected after every use.

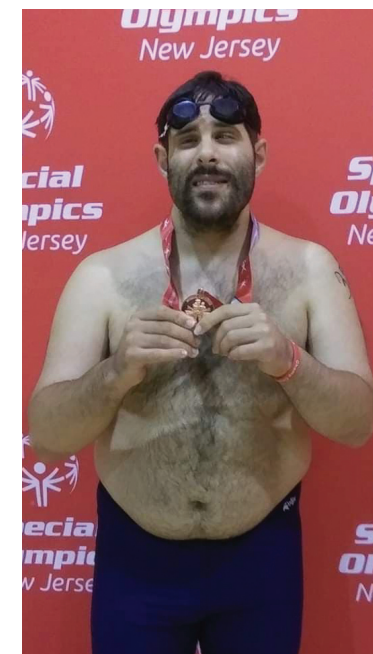
The Pro Shop at the Country Club is also selling merchandise through phone and online orders. Visit "Pennsauken Country Club" on Facebook, or call (856) 662-4961. Staff is ready to help with orders and get purchases ready for pickup right outside the Pro Shop.

To book a tee time, call (856) 662-4961 or visit [Golfnow.com](http://Golfnow.com) and search for the Pennsauken Country Club.



The golf course at the Pennsauken Country Club is now booking foursomes.

## Pennsauken's DiBartolomeo A Special Olympian



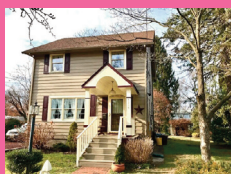
Pennsauken's Nick DiBartolomeo is a proud participant in the New Jersey Special Olympics.

Lifelong Pennsauken resident Nick DiBartolomeo puts his time in the pool to participate annually in the New Jersey Special Olympics. When he's not training at the South Jersey Aquatic Center in Voorhees for the team sponsored by the Camden County Freeholder Board, you can find him playing with his cars at the Pennsauken Municipal Pool.

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## PHS Student Athletes Sign Letters Of Intent

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"We're extremely proud of these talented students, as they advance to the next level both academically and athletically," says Eric Mossop, PHS athletic director. "These schools are extremely lucky to have them."

Among numerous accolades, Carlos is the new PHS win record holder in wrestling and the first in school history to reach the 100 win plateau. He is currently undeclared.

Ruby scored in 125 career goals in lacrosse, prior to the cancellation of this year's season. She is a 4 x 4 section champion in indoor track; and earned most outstanding player in lacrosse as a junior, as well as in field hockey as a senior. Anyanwu will be majoring in Exercise Science and Physical Therapy at Alma College.

Kiara earned most improved player in lacrosse this past year. Academically, she is vice president of the National Honor Society, and is a member of the Math, Latin, and Science Honor Societies. She plans to major in Zoology at Delaware Valley University.

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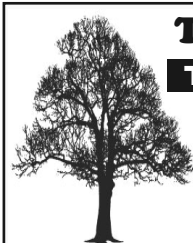
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